

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s) : Ruediger JAUTELAT et al.
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND
37 C.F.R. § 1.125 SUBSTITUTE SPECIFICATION STATEMENT

SIR:

Please amend without prejudice the above-identified application before examination, as set forth below.

IN THE SPECIFICATION AND ABSTRACT:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.121(b)(3), a Substitute Specification (including the Abstract, but without claims) accompanies this response. It is respectfully requested that the Substitute Specification (including Abstract) be entered to replace the Specification of record.

IN THE CLAIMS:

On the first page of the claims, first line, change "What is claimed is:" to

a1 --WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:--.

Without prejudice, please cancel original claims 1 to 8 and please add new claims 9 to 16 as follows:

a2 --9. (New) A device for controlling a drive unit, the drive unit being of an internal combustion engine in a vehicle, the device comprising:
at least one sensor;